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IN BRIEF

EXTRALIMITAL RECORD OF THE SPOT-WINGED FALCONET *SPIZIAPTERYX CIRCUMCINCTUS*

Spizapteryx circumcinctus is distributed from Bolivia and Paraguay to the centre of Argentina and has its southern limit in the northern part Rio Negro eastwards to the southern part of the province of Buenos Aires (Short 1975, Remsen & T aylor 1989, Narosky & Di Giacomo 1993). Throughout this range it occurs in arid woodlands, mainly dry forests and savannas (Short 1975, Blake 1977). On 11 January 1991 I observed an individual in an area of scattered trees in the vicinity of "Brazo Rico" (c. 185 m above sea level), in the southern part of the Parque Nacional Los Glaciares, province of Santa Cruz, southern Argentina. The main field characters of the species were clearly observed: body size about that of American Kestrel *Falco sparverius*, pale and predominantly streaked underparts, rounded and white-spotted wings, dark tail barred with white, and conspicuous white rump contrasting with browner upperparts.

The known range of the species has recently been extended to northern Bolivia (Remsen & T aylor 1989) and the eastern Argentine provinces of Corrientes (Contreras 1986) and Entre Ríos (Abadie

1993). The bird that I saw may well have been just a wandering individual, not necessarily evidence of a southward range extension. The locality is more than 1000 km distant from the southern limit of the known range of the species, and in a quite different environment, viz. the andinopatagonian subantarctic forests. Other birds recorded in this area, such as *Enicognathus ferrugineus*, *Campephilus magellanicus*, *Pygarrhichas albogularis* and *Pyrope pyrope*, are evidence of the andean affinity of the local avifauna.

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RANGE EXTENSIONS OF SOME COTINGAS FROM RONDONIA, BRAZIL

During an eight-day rapid ornithological assessment in April 1995 in the Parque Estadual, Guarajá-Mirim (10°50'S, 64°85'W), Rondonia, Brazil, I recorded range extensions for four cotingas.

PURPLE-BREASTED COTINGA *Cotinga cotinga*

On 23 April, at the edge of a *terra firme* forest clearing, I observed for 5 minutes an adult male Purple-breasted Cotinga. It was perched motionless in dead bare branches in the forest sub-canopy, before flying off. This represents a large range extension of *c.* 1050 km southwest from the previously known locality near the mouth of the Rio Madeira, and suggests that the species is likely also to occur in lowland rainforest in nearby northeastern Bolivia, only *c.* 50 km away.

BLACK-NECKED RED-COTINGA *Phoenicircus nigricollis*

On 29 April I observed and tape-recorded the call of an adult male Black-necked Red-Cotinga. The bird was feeding in the mid-storey of